four Institutes under the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (DAHD&F), dealing with the development activities in marine fisheries sector. These institutes are Fishery Survey of India (FSI), Mumbai, Central Institute of Fisheries Nautical and Engineering Training (CIFNET), Kochi, Integrated Fisheries Project (IFP), Kochi and Central Institute of Coastal Engineering for Fishery (CICEF), Bangalore.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) To make the research institutions target and objective oriented, the steps taken are:—

* The Perspective Plan (Vision 2025) Document of each Research Institute has been finalized with thrust on targets *vis-a-vis* objectives to achieve the mandated programmes in view of the challenges ahead and changing scenario of the fisheries sector.
* Eleventh Plan Document of the Fisheries Division has been already finalized which included the thrust areas of research aiming at enhanced productivity and fish production as per the mandate of the Institutes.
* Constitution of Research Advisory Committees (RAC) of the Institutes and timely conduct of these meetings for monitoring the progress of R & D programmes and also give proper directions for achieving the set targets.
* The activities of the four Institutes under the DAHD & F, are being periodically reviewed by the Evaluation Committees and suggest measures for increasing the efficiency of work of the Institutes.

(d) For accountability on the investment on Research & Development programmes of these Institutes more emphasis is being laid on formulation of project proposals based on sectoral needs, periodical performance evaluation and also translating the outlays into output and outcome in terms of quantifiable deliverables.

(e) The reforms and policies initiated during Eleventh Plan include prioritization of research areas, revisiting the perspective plan, strengthening of research implementation, monitoring and evaluation mechanism, higher visibility in public domain through public private partnership, networking and integrated approach, strengthening the Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) regimes and bilateral cooperation with overseas.

Decline in the production of milk

†1166. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the production of milk has fallen to the level of 15 to 21 per cent in many States;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN): (a) During the last three years in 2004-05 to 2006-07 such decline is not observed in any of the State except for Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands where such decline was noticed in 2005-06 as compared to 2004-05.

†The Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) The veterinary institutes affected by Tsunami in the southern groups of islands in the Andaman and Nicober are being restored. More emphasis is being given on folder development programme. The scheme for induction of milch animals and distribution of BPL farmers is proposed in the Annual Plan.

(c) 1. Under the Tsunami Rehabilitation Programme an amount of Rs. 10.00 Crores is provided for restoring the Institutional Buildings, Quarters and other infrastructure lost during Tsunami.

2. An amount of Rs. 48.75 lakhs is provided for the year 2007-08 for taking up various fodder development programme.

3. Under the Sub-Sector Dairy Development, a Scheme has been proposed for the induction of milch animals from mainland to be provided on subsidy to BPL farmers for augmenting the milk production.

Shrimp culture in Andaman

1167. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is propose to pump in Rs. 20 crores in shrimp culture in 5 years in Andaman;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a similar project is also proposed to be launched in Orissa State to improve shrimp production; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN): (a) and (b) Under the Tsunami rehabilitation measure, there is a provision for Rs. 43.50 lakhs for the development of coastal aquaculture (shrimp culture) in Andaman and Nicobar Islands during the Eleventh Five Year Plan.

(c) and (d) There is no proposal to launch a similar project as that of Andamand and Nicobar Islands in Orissa for shrimp culture. However, Department of Fisheries, Government of Orissa has plans to develop about 9,000 ha. of breackishwater area for shrimp culture during the Eleventh Five Year Plan to increase shrimp production in the State through their regular Plan Schemes/Programmes.

Implementation of agriculture extension scheme in Sikkim

1168. SHRI O.T. LEPCHA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of schemes formulated and being implemented in the country for the development of agricultre;

(b) whether the agriculture Extension Scheme formulated by Government has been implemented in Sikkim State; and

(c) if so, the details of funds allocation for Sikkim during the last three years?